

# Build a Meerkat Habitat

## Step 1: Let's learn about a Meerkat's habitat!

Meerkats are found in the dry plains of the savannas and grasslands. They live in stony crevices and in large burrows that they dig with their long, sharp claws. Their homes are underground. Meerkats live in groups called mobs. Meerkats only go outside during the daytime to look for food. Meerkats like to eat insects, fruit, and plants. They dig safe places to hide while looking for food. They get water by digging up succulent tubers.



## Step 2: Time to build a meerkat habitat!

Think about what you have learned about a meerkat's habitat and what it will need to survive. Time to get creative! Using a shoebox, you can draw, color, or paint. You can also use recycling materials to make model parts of its habitat. You can make your habitat as simple as you want or add as much detail as you want to make realistic based on the materials you have at home.



## Step 3: Tell about it!

Once you have finished making your habitat, write a paragraph about what you learned about a meerkat's habitat.

Remember to include facts and details to demonstrate your learning.

Challenge: Share your meerkat habitat with your class or family and friends!

